

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	Examiner:	<b>Lin, Ing Hour</b>
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<b>Crafton et al.</b>	)	Art Unit:	<b>1725</b>
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For: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR HEAT TREATMENT AND SAND  
REMOVAL FOR CASTINGS**

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION AND  
AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

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Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed October 10, 2006, Applicant respectfully requests that the following amendments be entered and remarks be considered.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.

Conclusion is on page 17 of this paper.